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Re application of : Docket No.: 714-001.021/CV-0040  
JOHN MOON ET AL : Group No.: 2872  
Serial No.: 10/661,082 : Confirmation: 7101  
Filed: September 12, 2003 : Examiner: Arnel C. Lavarias

**Title: Method and Apparatus for Labeling  
Using Diffraction Grating-based  
Encoded Optical Identification Elements**

Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is a response to an Office Action mailed October 12, 2004 submitted with a request for a one month extension of time and a phone interview between Attorney Gerald L. DePardo (Reg. No. 36,121) and Examiner Lavarias on 9 November 2004. The amendments provided herein are deemed to place the application in condition for allowance in view of the art of record. On behalf of Mr. DePardo, the undersigned would like to thank Examiner Lavarias for the courtesy and cooperation extended during that interview.

In light of the aforementioned, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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